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The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

Intelligence Community Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA : John N. McMahon
Acting Deputy to the DCI for the
Intelligence Community

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FROM : [REDACTED]
Director of Performance Evaluation
and Improvement

SUBJECT : PRM/NSC-11, Task 2 Report

1. Action Requested: Approval of the final PRM/NSC-11, Task 2 report for transmittal to the National Security Council (NSC) and signature of transmittal memorandum from you to Dr. Brzezinski (Tab B).

2. Background: The Department of Defense (DOD) returned with strengthened rebuttals to the strong positions attributed to you in the 29 May draft of the report. These DOD positions are attached (Tab A) and clipped in the attached copy of the report. I persuaded Dave McGiffert to ease off some complaints about their having too little time to vet your positions, although their pique shows through. Over the course of the whole project, DOD had a chop on four separate complete drafts and several subsections. Other Subcommittee members and Community officials saw only two and were not distressed. Surely DOD has had plenty of time to develop its side of the PRM-11 argument, where the essential issues and choices have long been clear to all. Nor are your own views a surprise given "Track 1."

3. I do not see any profit in further attempts to compose these major differences. The paper is a sound response to PRM-11, Task 2, and should, along with the other papers tasked, provide an adequate basis to begin debate at the full Special Coordinating Committee level. No doubt, additional issues and position papers will have to be developed as that debate proceeds.

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4. Staff Position: I have checked with Sam Hoskinson (NSC) and Hal Saunders (State/INR); they recommend sending the paper forward, including issues in dispute. DOD approves with its changes as noted.

5. Recommendation: That you approve the attached version of the Task 2 report as final for transmission to the NSC, and sign the attached transmittal memorandum. (On hearing of your approval, I will collect the memorandum and paper and make appropriate distribution.)

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Attachments:

Tab A - DOD Positions
Tab B - TCS 889426/77/1 and
TCS 889426/77

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